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Column Three Excerpts

102nd SURGEON HIT STANDING NEAR PRESIDENT LINCOLN

The 102nd Part at Gettysburg.

Thomas McLaughlin afterward major, recruited the Butler company H. He was succeeded on his promotion to major by Lieut. Robert W. Lyon, who come up step by step from sergeant to brevet Lieutenant-colonel. Maj. Lyon was mayor of Pittsburgh from 1882 to 1885. He is now dead. Charles S. Barclay was commissioned captain in 1864 but was not mustered as such.

Capt. Orlando M. Loomis son of that distinguished Pittsburgh lawyer, A. W. Loomis, recruited Company I. William H. H. Hubley was the next captain, serving from the date of Capt. Loomis muster out after three years service until the end of the strife. Thomas A. McLaughlin was a lieutenant in this company making two officers of the same name in the regiment. Thomas A. McLaughlin is now a resident of Lima, O. Capt. Hubley was killed on the railroad years ago as was also Capt. Hastings of Company M.

Company K was another "Hill" company, the original captain of which was Hamlet Lowe. William J. McCreery succeeded him on July 2, 1862. And was later transferred to the United States signal corps when William D. Jones took his place from July 1, 1863, until the end of the One Hundred and Second's term of service. Capt. Jones a trim little soldier, was best known as "Spicky" to distinguish him from other Joneses. He is a resident of Pittsburgh, George H. Workman, a veteran brought the company home as captain. Capt. Jones having been mustered out with the three-years men in September, 1864.

Company L was one of the Washington infantry companied from the Old Thirteenth under Capt. John D. McFarland, and it too, came from the "Hill" where that captain was born and raised in the neighborhood of the Franklin school in the then Sixth ward later the Seventh and Eight ward. Upon the return of the army from the Peninsula, Capt. McFarland resigned in July, 1862. Later he served with the western army as assistant adjutant-general of volunteers, He as wounded at Fair Oaks. Capt. McFarland was many

years a contracting painter in Pittsburgh, His widow yet resides at the old home at Franklin and Logan streets. For many years Capt. McFarland was in command of the Washington Infantry and served several terms in select council in the '80s from the Eighth ward. Lieut. James D. Kirk succeeded him in command of Company L.

Later a Newspaper man.

William W. Fullwood, now dead, was first lieutenant in the company until wounded at Williamsburg, Va. He was well known from his many years newspaper work in the city. On the rolls of Company L will be found the name of James Hunt the II. Meaning James C. Hunt, since his return from the army an employe of the Pittsburgh postoffice and the oldest employe as well.

Thomas Welsh, deceased, many years a cornerman at Sixth and Liberty, and later Sixth avenue and Wood street, will be remembered as a one-armed veteran, also of Company L.

Sergt. John F. Brill writes from Texas that he wants his name on the monument. His address is Field Creek, that state, and he wants his old comrades to know that he living.

The twelfth and last company, M, was under the command of Samuel L. Fullwood during the three years of his service. Then came A. D. J. Hastings, better known as "Dave" as there were several Hastings in the regiment, and different spelling of the name.

Charles H. Fullwood, a brother of the captain, and W. W. Fullwood served as lieutenant. John Aiken and Simpson H. Daft two of the old high school scholars, served in this company, John Aiken was commissioned captain, but not mustered. Both were wounded in action and their names are read on the beautiful tablet in the Fifth avenue school.

William McConway served as second lieutenant in this having been promoted from sergeant-major, until the end of his term of service.

Of the surgeons of the One Hundred and Second "Alphabetical" Crawford as the boys called him for short—all the letters being C. C. V. A. Crawford—was wounded at Fort Stevens, D. C. July 11, 1864. The site of the fort is now part of Washington City. He had prepared his tables for operating on the wounded who were coming in a-plenty. There is nothing strange in an officer, ever a surgeon being wounded in battle, but Surgeon

Crawford was the officer wounded almost at President Lincoln's side when the fearless Lincoln was gently led away from the firing line. Histories mention this fact, but not the name of the wounded officer.

The Part of Gettysburg.

The part the One Hundred and Second regiment took at the battle of Gettysburg is best told by giving the following extract from Capt. Fullwood's address at Gettysburg, September 11, 1889, on the occasion of the dedication of their monument.

"The Sixth corps reached Westminster, Md., on the morning of June 30. That being the base of supplies for the army a detachment of about 100 men, made up from all the companies, under Lieuts. David A Jones and Jacob Drum, remained at Westminster as a guard for the corps trains, while the corps moved on to Manchester, eight miles north, at 9 o'clock on June 30 the orders came to hurry to Gettysburg, where the army was being concentrated. The One Hundred and Second then returned to returned Westminster and were posted on picket and as outpost for a Connecticut battery, north and west of the town, On July 2 the detachment which had remained at Westminster was sent forward to Gettysburg under the command of Lieut. Robert W Lyon as guard for the ammunition train of about 40 wagon, and there being urgent need for the ammunition the horses were kept at the greatest speed all night, reaching Gettysburg, a distance of 36 miles, at daybreak on the third.

"Upon reporting to Gen. Wheaton, then commanding the division, this detail was ordered to report to Col. Nevin, commanding the brigade, who assigned it to his regiment, the Sixty-second New York, then under command of Lieut.-Col. Hamilton. The detail was placed to left of the regiment just as the regiment was deploying skirmisher, where the One Hundred and Second men remained on the skirmish line the rest of the day, continually under fire, but not directly engaged. The detail shared the duties of the Sixty-second, remaining in line of battle during the fourth, At dawn of the fifth the brigade was advanced across Plum creek, the One Hundred second detachment leading the pursuit of the enemy to Fairfield Pass, Here the corps headed to Frederick and the regiment rejoined the brigade at Middletown."

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